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"The human soul has still greater need of the ideal than of the real. It is by the real that we exist; it is by the ideal that we live." - Victor Hugo

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Wildlife in Town; the Good, the Bad and the Ugly.

I think overall wildlife have done a much better job of coexisting with man than we have done coexisting with them. If you think living in town excludes wildlife from our presence (other than the obvious resident squirrels and cottontails) think again. Possums, skunks, raccoons, beavers, foxes, coyotes and now in south central Kansas, even armadillos are right at home among us. I'm sure most Midwesterners, and residents of large western cities realize that fact, but I'll bet many residents of huge eastern cities find that fact hard

to swallow. Wildlife coexist with us in our towns incident-free for-the-most-part, even coyotes, but they all have their good, bad and ugly qualities.

Possums eat about anything but they especially love dog and cat food, which is always available in dog and cat bowls somewhere around town. Opossums, as they are correctly called really have no good or bad side, but are just plain ugly looking with a mug only a mother possum could love. They can usually be kept from your yard by excluding them from living under porches

and outbuildings, and by cleaning up leftover dog and cat food.

Skunks have lived among us for ages and I guess their one good quality could be their appetite for grubs which they will dig for greedily. When I was a kid in Ohio we had an invasion of June bugs one year, which begin life underground as grubs. Skunks were riddling the local golf course greens nightly digging for those grubs and preventing that many from ever becoming mature June bugs, but that appetite also got them in big trouble with the golf course crew. Obviously a



skunks worst quality is the stench that results from any unfortunate encounter with them, but they awfully cute when they're little.

Try as I might, I can't come up with a good quality to assign to a raccoon. They are mischievous devils that can break into most anything and are infamous for turning over trash cans, they can squeeze through the tiniest opening to get into an attic or storage building, they make a mess wherever they go

and are known rabies carriers. Once again, they are cute when they're little, but like every other cute little critter, they grow-up!

Beavers are truly a mixed bag of the good, the bad and the ugly. (Continued on page 26)

Copper Town Clown With All His Dogs Feature For Junction City Rodeo

By Frank J. Buchman Western entertainment at its very best is set for Junction City Thursday "This is an open rodeo which offers competition with exciting action for the entire family to enjoy. of both evenings' rodeo performances will be The Copper Town Clown's special entertainment," to perform as the featured act at the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas Nevada. Nominated for the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association Comedy Act of the Year Award several times, Davis and his dogs have also been honored International Contract Acts Showcase Champions.



and Friday evenings.

Bert Davis, The Cooper Town Clown, will be star attraction for the 24th annual Junction City Rodeo, July 14-15, at the Geary County Fairgrounds, 1025 South Spring Valley Road, Junction City," announced Darryl Blocker, official of the Junction City Rodeo Association.

However, rodeo is what the action is really all about, clarified Blocker. "Recognized as one of the 'largest open rodeos in Kansas,' contestants from throughout the Midwest come to compete in the performances at 7:30 each evening. Come watch the saddle broncs, bareback riding, tie-down roping, steer wrestling, team roping, barrel racing, breakaway roping and bull riding," Blocker invited.

Each night, kids' events include a calf scramble, boot scramble and mutton busting, the rodeo official said.

"Friday evening's performance is planned as the Tough Enough To Wear Pink Night for cancer awareness and benefit," Blocker said. There'll be a Special

Needs Rodeo, Saturday, from 10 o'clock, until noon.

"However, highlight

Blocker stated.

Bert Davis, often dubbed the "Clown with all the Dogs," reached the third round in the TV show: America's Got Talent. They were the only animal act to make it to Las Vegas in 2010.

Known as the "Muttley Crew," this act features ten rescue dogs, adopted by Davis and his wife, Frannie, all of whom are superbly trained tricksters.

Davis has been working in the rodeo business since 1974, beginning his career at age 16, as the youngest bullfighter in the nation. He has been selected three times "While Davis is a courageous and hilarious performer, it is his dogs that truly endear him to the spectators," Blocker said.

"Those sidekicks with their high energy antics make The Copper Town Clown one of the best and most-traveled animal specialty acts in the industry," Blocker stated. Detailed information can be found on Face-

www.qualitystructures.com

The Covered Dish: Jezebel Sauce

One of the classes returning guests talk about a great deal is my 'Jezebel' sauce class. Some of my Northern families may already be going: "What?"

This is a spicy sweet condiment that can find its home in many different locations.

During the summer season you'll find jezebels of all flavors being used in grilling. The honey orange sauce today is simply delicious with ham, pork chops, pork steak, ribs and chicken. The sauce could be implemented during grilling or as a side dipping dish.

How did jezebel sauces originate? Well the most recent conclusion is they came from the Mississippi Gulf Coast near or around Gulfport. Why the name? That one is still up for grabs! Most cooks say it's sweet like jezebels appear,

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Recently Remodeled House With Nice Outon the flip of the coin their spicy/sassy because jezebels are often deceiving. Then you can also head to your Bible and do fun research on the term 'jezebel.' The word itself is frequently not capitalized because they don't want to give it any extra attention!

When I presented a class on these interesting sauces it was like opening the flood gates to where they could be implemented. One area I used them in were ham and cheese sliders. The sauce was inside the buns and the sliders are baked in the oven etc. (This recipe is in my 2nd cookbook.) More frequently the sauce is found poured over a block of cream cheese and served with crackers. In one recipe I place fresh ground pepper over the entire top.

The jezebels frequently contain apple jelly, apricot preserves, horseradish, dry mustard, black pepper and red pepper flakes. You certainly do not have to use red pepper

Ingredients:

cream cheese

sweetness of berries)



By Debbie Dance-Uhrig

flakes, and keep the pepper and mustards low if you have a tender palate. Jezebels would also work with baked brie, a variety of cheeses and smoked meats. Pineapple jam would be a substitute for apricot preserves if they cannot be procured.

Lastly I enjoy canning the jezebels along with barbecue sauces, to use in hostess baskets. One thing I like to do is visit thrift shops for unique baskets that cost \$1.-\$2. I bring them home and wash them thoroughly. Then depending upon the occasion and theme I'll find \$1. Hand towels at Dick's Five and Dime to line the baskets. It's a more personal gift than a bottle of wine.

Berry Slab Pie

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1 tablespoon milk 6½ cups assorted berries, fresh or frozen, no sugar added, defrosted

Heat oven to 450 degrees. On a lightly floured surface remove pie crust and stack one on top of the other. Roll to 17x12 rectangle. Fit unto an ungreased cookie sheet pressing into corners. Fold extra crust even with the edges. Crimp edges.

Bake 10-12 minutes or until golden brown. Let cool completely about 30 minutes.

Mix cream cheese, 1/4 cup of sugar, and milk until smooth. Spread onto crust and let set in fridge for an hour.

Add remaining sugar to berries and spoon onto cream cheese crust. Cover and refrigerate until serving.

Nutrition information per serving

2 refrigerated pie crusts, softened

1/2 cup sugar or less (depends on

2 packages (8 ounces) fat-free

Calories: 124 Total Fat: 0.6g Protein: 3g Carbohydrate: 11.6g Fiber: 0.8g

Honey Orange Jezebel Sauce

1 cup apple jelly 1/4 cup pineapple jam 1/2 cup orange marmalade 1/4 cup honey 1/4 cup dry mustard* 1 tablespoon prepared ground horseradish Fresh cracked pepper

Stir all ingredients together in a small saucepan, over medium heat. Heat thoroughly, remove, cool and place in refrigerator. Keeps for up to two weeks in ice box. Best when eaten 2-3 days after making. Serve like a sauce or chutney with ham, pork steak, pork loin, chicken, egg rolls, chicken nuggets, even fried shrimp. May be canned using a hot water bath for preserving.

*This is not a mis-print, the 1/4 cup of dry mustard is correct.

This past week I returned from a road trip back to my hometown, Lewistown, Missouri. Unfortunately I went back for my cousin, David's memorial service. Then within a 24-30 hour window our good friend, Charles Arnold, Jr. was gone.

Arnold, Jr. was gone. The only plus in the trip back home was seeing folks that I had not seen in like 35 years or more! My cousin had such a kind heart and loving spirit. We had wonderful times together, particularly at our grandparent's farm in Monticello.

Then there's Charlie Jr., a man dedicated to his community, family and church. A giving man who 'unconditional love.' Servant Leadership rang out in every step of his journey. I feel blessed for having had David and Charlie Jr. in my life. Now we move forward and embrace each day.

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Apple Honey Crisp

2 pounds (1 1/2 quarts) apples, quartered and sliced 3/4 cup honey, divided 1 teaspoon cinnamon 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg 1 cup flour 1/4 cup butter, softened warm cream or ice cream

Recipe courtesy of the National Honey Board Servings: 6

Heat oven to 350 F. In bowl, toss apples with 1/2 cup honey, cinnamon and nutmeg. Turn into 2-quart baking dish. To make topping, beat flour with butter and remaining honey until crumbly; sprinkle over apples. Bake 40-45 minutes, or until apples are tender and topping is golden. Serve with warm cream or ice cream

Ruby Beet Chicken Salad Skewers

Prep time: 25 minutes Cook time: 20 minutes Servings: 8 1 jar (16 ounces) Aunt Nellie's Baby Whole Pickled Beets, drained 2 large boneless, skinless chicken breast halves (about 1 pound) salt, to taste, plus 1/2 teaspoon, divided pepper, to taste, plus 1/2 teaspoon, divided 4 1/2 tablespoons stone ground 1 1/2 tablespoons orange marmalade, plus 1/3 cup, divided
2 tablespoons minced fresh chives
1 large lemon, zested and juiced (about 1/3 cup juice)
1/4 cup olive oil
1 bag (9 ounces) leafy romaine pieces
8 wooden skewers
1/3 cup chopped almonds, toasted
1/3 cup crumbled firm white cheese (such as blue cheese, feta or goat)

Heat oven to 375 F. Drain beets; set aside.

mustard, divided

Season both sides of chicken with salt and pepper, to taste. In small bowl, combine 1 1/2 tablespoons each of mustard and marmalade. Brush mixture over chicken until completely coated. Bake chicken on aluminum foil-lined, rimmed baking sheet, 20-25 minutes, or until juices run clear; set aside. To make vinaigrette: In medium bowl, combine remaining mustard, remaining marmalade, chives, lemon zest, lemon juice, 1/2 teaspoon salt and 1/2 teaspoon pepper. Slowly pour in oil while whisking vigorously until completely combined.

Slice cooled chicken into 1-inch pieces. On each skewer, thread a beet, a piece of chicken and 4- 5 pieces of lettuce; repeat twice; add one beet at end. Repeat to make eight skewers. Place skewers on large serving platter. Stir vinaigrette; drizzle lightly over skewers. Sprinkle with almonds and cheese. Serve with remaining vinaigrette.

Substitution: Whole pickled beets may be substituted. Cut beets in half. Alternate preparation: To grill chicken, brush both sides with mustardmarmalade mixture. Grill over medium heat 10-15 minutes, or until cooked through and thermometer reads 165 F. If chicken cooks too quickly, reduce heat to medium-low.

Nutritional information per serving: 255 calories; 15 g protein; 20 g carbohydrates; 12 g total fat; 440 mg sodium; 40 mg cholesterol; 2 g dietary fiber; 1 mg iron; .07 mg thiamin; 2,871 IU vitamin A; 7 mg vitamin C.

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Going to camp

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She didn't even seem sad. I think she just hugged me because all the other kids were hugging their moms. Allie loaded up and headed to church camp. Her sister had gone the week before and loved it. Allie even had her bags packed about 3 days in advance. I am sure she wanted a mini vacation from her **BROTHER.** Weston has pestered Allie all of last week. With Addie gone he only had one sister to bother.

The first day weston did not want to write her a card. In fact he didn't even want to sign his name. The next morning he told me "I can't make it with out her." "Who," I said. "Allie." Weston replied. What a dif-



ference 24 hours can make. Addie also went to camp but hasn't said if she will go back or not.

Weston has figured out how to ride a bike. He had the training wheels on, but they were so bent they didn't touch the ground or help guide him. I kept asking him to take them off. Finally he took them off and tada, he was amazed that he could in fact ride a bike. He loves to ride in ever where.

This is the final countdown before the fair. Last week the yearling horse Addie wanted to show got a nice cut on her neck,



so we are not taking her. The girls went and

finished the binding on the their quilts. Addie made a litte scarf for her dog Hannah.

On Sunday we went to the 90th birthday party of one of my faithful readers. Luke's uncle has often told me that he looks for my article.

Allen had a full house of visitors. Many of the people from his church came. His daughter told me that he and his wife Lola are the only living charter members of their church. In 2014 he was induced into to the Wichita East sports hall of fame. He was a three time state champion wrestler. Allen spent his career teaching and coaching.

Everyone who walked past his flower beds commented on how lovely they looked. I also figured out why he is such a talented wood worker. The girls also told us that his father was a commercial artist. Allen makes many things but his best work comes in the form of wooden vases. He has made several patterns and different sizes. Allen is well known and lives in the Derby area.

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May through the years



By Sandra Pugh

A little slow getting this one ready, but I have been tied up with the book.

When we were in school May was a great month, we could see the light at the end of the tunnel and we knew that school was about to close for the summer. Then we could spend the summer months having fun with our friends. The last day of our school, which was always around the 15th of May, was a glorious day. We always had a school picnic in the park and I don't think I ever thought about it also being my mother's birthday.

In mid May the seniors, in our town, graduated and loaded onto the big Bluebird school bus and headed out for their two week senior trip. The class had been working and earning money from the time they started high

school to help fund it. The school picked up some of the cost but the seniors contributed a lot of the money.

For my mother, her birthday was on May 15, May 2nd her middle sister had a birthday, and May 4 was her brother's birthday. Yikes! That was a bad month for mother as it always had been for her parents. Also the graduation announcements would arrive in the mail. The announcements meant she needed to buy something for the graduate. Most of the time mother only bought something for nieces and nephews unless the graduate belonged to one of her close friends.

Early in May the wedding announcements would start to roll in for the June weddings that would occur. Again this would require a gift for the shower or wedding, or both if they were family. So May was an expensive month for my parents.

When I married my husband it became very expensive for us because his mother's birthday was May 16th, one day after my mother's. So that was an expensive week. Sometimes



if my mother's birthday was on the weekend or Monday, like it would have been this year if she were still alive, we would celebrate hers on the weekend of or before it and then celebrate my mother-in-laws on the next weekend.

This year would have been a mess because Mother's Day was the day before my mother's birthday. But every year it seemed to fall either right before or after one of their birthdays. So the week with the 15th and 16th of May in it was an expensive week for us. Instead of one gift for our mother's it was two.

The end of Mav each year meant a trip with my mother to Medicine Lodge to decorate graves for Memorial Day. We would stop and decorate some relative's graves in Medicine Lodge, then drive to Lake City cemetery to decorate Mom's grandparent's graves and then on to Sun City to decorate her parents' graves.

I enjoyed those trips because we always stopped to see Mother's oldest sister who lived just north of Sun City. She would either have lunch ready for us or if we didn't arrive until after lunchtime we always had burnt sugar cake and a glass of iced tea. If I was lucky my cousin Terry would be there and we'd see if we could get into some kind of trouble, which usually didn't take long.

While we were at Aunt Ruby's house Terry and I would

usually hunt horned lizards, when we ran out of trouble to get into. I loved to hold the lizards. The horny lizards look ferocious with the horns on their heads and back but are very docile when you hold them.

The trick is catching them. They are lightening fast, but if we worked as a team Terry and I could usually corral a couple of them and pick them up.

My grandmother had taught me how to roll them over and rub their tummy until they went to sleep. Grandmother said she played with them all the time when she was growing up on the family farm. The horny toads, as she called them and the barn kittens were her babies when she was out in the yard playing by herself, because she was an only child.

May in my beauty shop meant Junior/ Senior Proms. I always had a lot of girls wanting their hair styled for the prom, and of course they usually had long hair and wanted it up and didn't want to look like anyone else.

There were many years that I did as many as 15 girls for the prom and it was a full day; sending the last ones out the door just in time to get dressed for their date.

May through the years has always been a busy and expensive month for my family. To contact Sandy: therapyk9@cox.net

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West Nile virus risk is increasing, and will be at the highest level in the immediate weeks ahead.

"In 2016, there were 377 equine West Nile virus cases across the United States, an increase of 152 cases from a year earlier," according to Dr. Kevin Hankins, senior veterinarian for Equine Technical Services at Zoetis Animal Health.

Horses are at the highest risk for contracting West Nile virus during peak mosquito season, which occurs July through October in the United States, he said

Previously, Hankins worked as head of equine field service at Kansas State University's Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital for seven year. He coordinated hospital outreach programs and student practice management programs.

"It's not too late to help vaccinate and protect horses against this devastating disease," Hankins insisted. "When properly vaccinated, horses have shown to be 30 times less likely to contract West Nile."

West Nile virus is transmitted by mosquitoes, which feed on infected birds, to horses, humans and other mammals, the veterinarian explained.

"The uptick in 2016 cases is likely due to the drought that occurred in 2015," Hankins evaluated.

Droughts can increase numbers of small, stagnant pools of water, presenting ideal breeding grounds for mosquitoes.

"During a drought, bird populations often

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decrease," Hankins continued. "As birds flock to wetter areas of the country, mosquitoes are left to feed on other warm-blooded animals nearby, such as horses."

When considering the West Nile cases last year Dr. Hankins cautioned, "The numbers are likely much greater. Some states only report West Nile virus cases if the disease is presented in neurological form."

For horses that have not been given shots or are overdue for immunization, proper vaccination can help provide the added protection horses needed to stay healthy.

In conjunction with vaccination, horse owners can help prevent West Nile by implementing proper horse management techniques, including:

Eliminate any mosquito-breeding habitats by removing all potential sources of stagnant water, such as unused troughs, wheelbarrows, ditches and tarps.

Hang fans throughout the barn where horses are stabled, as mosquitoes avoid moving air. Clean and empty any

water-holding containers on a weekly basis.

Apply insect repellent or bring horses inside from dusk to dawn, which are the peak mosquito feeding hours.

"West Nile does not always lead to signs of illness in horses," Hankins said. "For horses that do become clinically ill, the virus infects the central nervous system and may cause symptoms such as loss of appetite and depression."

Other clinical signs may include fever, weakness or paralysis of hind limbs, impaired vision, aimless wandering, walking in circles, hyper-excitability or coma.

"If horse owners notice signs or symptoms of West Nile infection in their horses, they should contact a



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day before. I won't say They'll use human males that Gentleman actually and allow them to ride bucked, he never had on their backs so they that much energy, but can buck their way into he almost crow-hopped the Hall of Fame, or win a little. the race for the roses at the Kentucky Derby. If they get tired of men, as they often do, they just

Horses set a wonderful example for their barnyard brethren to

follow if only the others were that smart. In fly season you'll see two horses head to tail, swatting flies off each other. When was the last time

commercial grade. Cows enjoy keeping company with other equally worthy cows but their boorish behavior can border on bigotry. Take the relationship that exists between beef and dairy cows for example. Beefier cows take one look at dairy cows and think, "Just look at those stupid ninnies, gathering themselves up so that some jerk with rough occurred late one night in one of his cherished conversations with the prominent atheist of his day, Harry Weldon, a man whom Lewis considered the premier expert on atheism. When the man conceded that there probably was historical evidence for the Resurrection, that, most likely, a dying God had happened once, Lewis was shattered. If atheism admitted such a gaping hole in its the-

of the hogs because they have their food delivered to them and they don't have to suffer from wolves or PBR cowboys. No wonder they live such happy-golucky lives! Hogs would willingly hang around with the other animals and see themselves as peacemakers. While other species tend to mate with other animals that look just like them,

in equal doses and see themselves as victims. They are the poor, downtrodden members of the farmyard society and every year they must suffer the humiliating ordeal of having their beautiful wool coats sheared off and their private parts exposed for all the swine to leer at with a lecherous look in their eyes. wwwLeePittsbooks.com

put them in their place: on the ground. Horses absolutely love the human female gender and vice versa. Women

case of cows, I believe they would kill some dogs and cowboys if they could only get their hooves on a handgun. Cattle don't recognize

of the group. They lack

commitment and don't

like anyone, or anything,

than humans in that they

don't go around killing

each other, but in the

especially yapping dogs

and cowboys. Farm

animals are different

An Atheist's Admission

by Sandra Coleman

Most Americans are familiar with the Oxford scholar, C.S. Lewis. (1898-1963) author of The Chronicles of Narnia.

Mere Christianity, and Screwtape Letters. His ability to explain the Christian faith in simple language was a gift to the world. Recently Joel Heck has written a

biography, From Atheism to Christianity: The Story of C.S. Lewis. In it he traces Lewis's

journey from a superficial childhood Christianity to his deliberate devout atheism for fifteen years, and then his return to Christianity.

Lewis had fought and been injured in WWI. The senseless suffering he witnessed led him to a materialist worldview

of atoms, evolution, and military service. A great intellect and President of Oxford University, he mingled with the great atheist thinkers of his time. When he taught German Idealism, he became fascinated with the concept of the Absolute, an impersonal force that governed the universe. Through logic he began to suspect that the Absolute was simply another name for God. A pivotal moment

ory, perhaps it lacked any real substance at all.

At one point when Lewis was asked by a pastor about the moment when he had actually made a decision for Christ, he replied, "I didn't; I was decided upon." Lewis believed that all his life God had been pursuing himuntil he could no longer ignore God's presence. "A young man who wishes to remain a

sound atheist cannot be too careful of his reading." C.S. Lewis, Surprised by Joy



Camera or cell Phone; that's the Question

A friend had been seeing a bald eagle at the wetlands just outside of town, and it seemed like a good reason for an early morning walk around my stomping grounds out there, and as I crept along the gravel road toward the wetlands, sure enough, perched high in an old dead cottonwood snag sat one lone stately bald eagle. I walk there mostly in the winter when the trails have been mowed and the grass and weeds have been frosted and tromped down by waterfowl hunters, so this morning's excursion found the wetlands in her working clothes so-to-speak. I stepped out of the truck into a literal sea of yellow; no, someone had not peed in the pool, these were yellow wildflowers that were thick as ticks on a hound's back and waist high. I knew everything would be wet with dew, so I wore my chest waders and was I ever glad I did. The wetlands manager told me the beavers were back and causing drainage problems again, so I decided to

look into that before paying a visit to the eagle.

I'd gone a hundred yards or so when the flowers ahead exploded with quail; like the fireworks the night before, they erupted a couple at a time seemingly from nowhere, showing no sign of their presence until they were in the air in front of me. No sooner had they entered the air space over the nearby pond when a pair of cackling pheasants joined them from somewhere amidst the cattails. All that ruckus stirred-up a gazillion little frogs in the grass, and splashes dotted the surface of the pond as they all scurried for the safety of deeper water. There were ponds all around me and every few steps sent cranes (blue herons) and white egrets into the air; I lost count after a couple dozen, probably more cranes than I would see the entire rest of the summer.

When I got to the drainage ditch that runs the entire length of the wetlands and drains all the various



ponds and the two "sinkholes" it was easy to see that the beavers had constructed a nice wall of mud across the front of their dam where we had previously cut notches to drain standing water from nearby farm ground. The farm ground was dry now and the dam was presently doing no harm, so catching those rascals might be an adventure for another time.

I parked and walked in from another direction to get a view of the beaver dam from the other side. The trail ran parallel to the drainage ditch, and walking along it was like strolling along a lazy river. Small trees lined the banks on both sides and farther out in one direction massive cottonwoods stood like giant sentries guarding a small swamp. Here and there the sun filtered through the canopy above and danced on ripples in the ditch. Though I had gone only a few hundred yards from where I first walked, this was like an entirely different world. Raccoon tracks littered the ground and small frogs dove for the cover of the ditch with each step. The only thing thicker here than the coon' tracks were the hoards of poison ivy plants wherever the ground got a little sunshine. Other than them, few plants grew here at all. A glimpse of the beaver dam from this side confirmed what I'd seen before, so I wound my way back to the truck and

prepared to approach the eagle if it was still there.

The eagle continued its vigil from high in the old dead cottonwood, so I stepped into the soybean field that skirted around behind its perch. I couldn't see the eagle or the tree anymore and was afraid it had skedaddled, but rounding a corner in the field brought me face-toface with it at less than a hundred yards. I used to be a diehard camera-carrying fanatic, but the last while have just used my cell phone, as it's so convenient and most of the photos I take are close ups anyway. So there I stood, offered one of the best photo opportunities ever and my cell phone was in my pants pocket. As I fumbled to extract my stupid phone from my pants pocket INSIDE my waders, the photo opportunity took wing and was gone.

I've often wished there existed a pair of glasses that was actually a camera where the mere press of a button photographed what you saw through the lenses; boy howdy it would have paid for itself on the spot! I've driven past the wetlands numerous times since and have not seen the eagle again. Although as I sat there on the road early this morning before church, a wild mink scurried across in front of me; that almost made up for the foolhardiness of not carrying my camera... almost. Continue to Explore Kansas outdoors!

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Kansas Hay Market Report

Ground alfalfa movement: Southwest/South Central Tonnage: 11,736/4,521 Last week: 11,362/4,402 Last year: 9.424/4.277

Hay market activity slow to moderate; demand moderate for grinding alfalfa, light for all other classes of hay, prices steady to weak. Per NASS Kansas alfalfa hav condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 23 fair, 68 good, and 7 excellent. Second cutting was 52 percent complete, ahead of 34 last year and 37 average. Cooler weather was ushered in over the weekend with just enough rain to halt harvest and haying operations for some. The abnormally dry conditions of the southeastern region were eliminated and only remain in Meade and Clark Counties in the southwest. The abnormally dry (D0) category stands at 1.10 pct. North and South Dakota continue to struggle with extreme drought. The North Dakota Department of Agriculture has set up a Drought Hotline for ranchers affected by the drought. Kansas producers who have hay to sell or with pasture or hay land to rent can call the hotline. Once the producer provides their name, contact information and what they can provide, they will then be entered into the Drought Hotline database to be matched up with ranchers in need. The hotline phone number is 701-425-8454. If you have hay for sale, and/or need hay here in Kansas, use the services of the Internet Hay Exchange: www.hayexchange.com/ks.php

Southwest Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa, grass hay, steady, ground/delivered, 5.00 lower, movement moderate for grinding alfalfa and ground/delivered, slow for all other classes of hay. Alfalfa: horse, small squares 240.00-250.00. Dairy, .75-.85/point RFV, Supreme 140.00-160.00, Premium 130.00-150.00, Good 115.00-145.00. Stock or Dry Cow alfalfa, 75.00-95.00. Fair/Good grinding alfalfa, 95.00-105.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots and dairies, 115.00-125.00. The week of 6/18-6/24, 11,736T of grinding alfalfa and 575T of dairy alfalfa were delivered. Grass hay: bluestem, large rounds 65.00-75.00. Brome: large rounds 55.00-65.00. Sudan/Cane: large rounds 40.00-45.00. Corn stalks, ground and delivered 70.00-80.00.

South Central Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa, ground/delivered, alfalfa pellets, steady, grass hay: bluestem 5.00 lower, movement moderate for grinding alfalfa and ground/delivered, slow for all other classes of hay. Alfalfa: horse small squares 7.50-8.50/bale, Dairy, .70-.80/point RFV, Supreme 140.00-150.00, Premium 130.00-140.00, Good 110.00-130.00. Stock cow alfalfa, 80.00-90.00. Fair/Good grinding alfalfa, 70.00-80.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots 105.00-115.00. The week of 6/18-6/24, 4,521T of grinding alfalfa and 600T of dairy alfalfa were delivered. Alfalfa pellets: Sun Cured 15 pct protein 140.00-150.00, 17 pct protein 145.00-160.00, Dehydrated 17 pct 198.00-202.00. Grass hay: bluestem, mid and large squares 60.00-70.00, large rounds 55.00-65.00. Brome, mid and large squares, none reported, large rounds 75.00-80.00. Oat hay, large rounds 85.00-95.00 delivered. Sudan 50.00-60.00.00. Cane hay, large rounds 45.00-55.00. Corn stalks, ground and delivered 75.00.00-85.00. Straw large squares 50.00-60.00.

Southeast Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa, ground/delivered, grass hay, steady, movement slow. Alfalfa: horse or goat, 210.00-220.00. Dairy .75-.85/point RFV. Stock cow alfalfa 90.00-100.00 with an instance at 135.00-145.00. Fair/Good grinding alfalfa 70.00-80.00. Ground and delivered, 80.00-90.00. Grass hay: bluestem, small squares 100.00-110.00. Good, mid and large squares 70.00-85.00, large rounds 50.00-60.00. Brome: small squares none reported. Good, mid and large squares 90.00-110.00, large rounds 55.00-65.00. Straw, none reported. CWF grass mulch none reported.

Northwest Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa and ground/delivered steady, movement slow. Alfalfa: horse/goat, 180.00-190.00. Dairy, Premium/Supreme .80-.95/point RFV. Stock cow, fair/good 85.00-95.00. Fair/good grinding alfalfa, 65.00-75.00 with instances at 80.00-100.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots and dairies, 90.00-95.00.

North Central-Northeast Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa, grass hay steady, ground/delivered 5.00 lower, movement slow. Alfalfa: horse, none reported. Dairy .85-1.00/ point RFV, Supreme 150.00-200.00. Premium 140.00-160.00, Good

Auction Calendar

		Auction Calendar	
7/12/2017	KEARNEY	Special Calf & Feeder Auction along w/Video Auction	Hus
7/12/2017	Wichita	(15) Pallets "Different Items on each Pallet"	Bud
7/12/2017	BUFFALO	SELLING 400 M/L ACRES OF GOOD GRASS WITH A CREEK! WILDLIFE PARADISE! DEER, TURKEY, QUAIL	Smi
7/12/2017	Online	Ag Equipment Auction	Purp
7/12/2017	Online	Big Iron Online Auction	Big
7/12/2017	Salina	1.9 Acres Zoned Light Industrial I-70 & Hedville Rd.	Wils
7/12/2017	Online	LATHE~DRILL PRESS~DESKS~KITCHEN ITEMS~AND MUCH MORE	The
7/13/2017	Derby	Handicap Medical Supplies, electric wheel chair and transport chair	At Y
7/13/2017	Online	Truck and Trailer Auction	Pur
7/13/2017	Salina	Antiques, Collectibles, Tools, Furniture and More!	Oml
7/13/2017	BURLINGAME	GUNS - ANTIQUES - COLLECTIBLES - GLASSWARE - HOUSEHOLD - TOOLS - GARDEN	Wis
7/13/2017	Udall	Cowley County 53.1 Acre Farm Site	Sud
7/13/2017	FREDONIA	240+- Acres Tillable, Pasture, & Hunting Land For Sale Wilson County Kansas	Sun
7/13/2017 7/13/2017	Kansas City Online	Thursday Night Auction 3 BR, 1 BA HOUSE IN WELLINGTON, KS	And
7/14/2017	Wichita	Friday Night Auction	The Bud
7/14/2017	Beloit	2 Day Estate Auction	Zim
7/15/2017	Augusta	'Tools, Tools and More Tools, Antiques& Collectibles, Guns & Ammo * Primitives - Vintage Toys - Vintage Glassware -	Little
7/15/2017	Cottonwood Falls	Hearse, Tools & Antiques	Griff
7/15/2017	Lyons	2 story, 3 bedroom home	Stro
7/15/2017	Cunningham	USD 332 Auction	Nixo
7/15/2017	Altoona	FARM MACHINERY, 4 WHEELER, ANTIQUES & COLLECTABLES	Larr
7/15/2017	Towanda	Kubota Tractor, Implements, Wookworking Tools, Honda Civic, Welders Auction Near Towanda	Sun
7/15/2017	Towanda	Home & amp; Buildings on 8 Acres Near Towanda Butler County Kansas For Sale	Sun
7/16/2017	OSAGE CITY	COINS - VEHICLES - ANTIQUES - FURNITURE - HOUSEHOLD - D19 AC TRACTOR	Wis
7/16/2017	Smith Center	Coins, Guns, Antiques, Appliances & Furniture	Stor
7/16/2017	Elmdale	Tractor, Vehicles, Coins, Antiques & Primitives	Grif
7/16/2017	Kaw City	3 BR, 2.5 BA just off Kaw Lake. Home has a full partially finished basement, large deck, 2 car garage.	Ken
7/18/2017	Wichita	"Near New Facility of Furnishings Pizza Oven – S/S Tables – Ice Machine Dough Rollers – 60 qt Mixer – Seating	Bud
7/18/2017	Online	SNOW SHACK KIOSK ~ BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY	The
7/18/2017	Leon	Homesite & amp; Land - Nearly 80 Acres	Ken
7/19/2017	Online	Vehicles and Equipment Auction	Purj
7/19/2017	Online	Big Iron Online Auction	Big
7/19/2017	Online	Excel Industries Inc. Manufacturer's Inventory Reduction Auction	Pur
7/19/2017	Online	2-3 BEDROOM, 1 BATH, 1400 SF, DETACHED GARAGE	The
7/19/2017	Online	KITCHEN DISHES ~ 2 SETS WASHER & DRYER ~ TOOLS ~ FURNITURE ~ LOTS OF KNICK KNACKS	The
7/20/2017	Online	Construction Equipment Auction	Pur
7/20/2017 7/20/2017	Online Kansas City	CAMARO~MUSTANG~PAINT EQUIP~SPECIALTY TOOLS	The
7/21/2017	Wichita	Thursday Night Auction Friday Night Auction	And Bud
7/21/2017	EL Dorado	Axes, Antiques, Collectibles	Sun
7/21/2017	Loveland	Western Show & Auction	New
7/22/2017	Loveland	Western Show & Auction	New
7/22/2017	Blackwell	Mike Terry has been in the construction business many years. Complete Liquidation of his inventory	Ken
7/22/2017	Woodward	COMMERCIAL SHOP BUILDING ON ROCKED YARD WITH HWY 412 FRONTAGE, MOORELAND, OK	Smi
7/22/2017	Basehor	Guns, Antique & Classic Cars, Motorcycles, Scooter & Trail Bikes, Tractor, Bus, BBQ Trailer, John Deere Patio	Seb
7/22/2017	Beattie	Farm Machinery Auction	Olm
7/23/2017	Loveland	Western Americana including: cowboy & cowgirl, posters, books, photographs, boots, spurs, hats, bits, chaps	New
7/23/2017	Smith Center	Coins, Tools, Antiques, Furniture & amp; Household	Stor
7/23/2017	EL DORADO	Antiques, Collectibles, Furniture, Misc Auction	Sun
7/23/2017	Salina	GUN AUCTION	Wils
7/23/2017	Online	July Consignment Auction	Tem
7/25/2017	Towanda	3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, Towanda, Ks. Home	Sud
7/25/2017	Wellington	102 AC, SUMNER CO KS~HUNTING~INCOME POTENTIAL	The
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7/26/2017	Shattuck	TRACT 1 20 ACRES TRACT 2: 140 ACRES WITH WOLF CREEK PASSING THROUGH THEN NORTH END OF THE LAND	Smi
7/26/2017	Online	Ag Equipment Auction	Pur
7/26/2017	VALLEY CENTER	(2) 80+- Acre Tracts Sedgwick County Kansas Land For Sale	Sun
7/27/2017	Online	Truck and Trailer Auction	Pur
7/27/2017	Kansas City	Thursday Night Auction	And
7/27/2017	Online	3PT EQUIPMENT-DISK HARROW-BOX BLADE/SCRAPERS	The
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small squares, 3.50-4.50/bale, large squares 75.00-85.00, large rounds 60.00-70.00. CWF grass mulch, none reported.

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Alfalfa Quality Guidelines

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Premium	27-2	9 34-36	5 170-185	60.5-62	54.5-55	.9 20-22
Good	29-32	36-40	150-170	58-60	52.5-54.5	18-20
Fair	32-35 4	0-44	130-150	56-58	50.5-52.5	16-18

<130

*RFV calculated using the Wis/Minn formula. **TDN calculated using the Western formula. Quantitative factors are approximate, and many factors can affect feeding value. Values based on 100% dry matter (TDN showing both 100% & 90%). Guidelines are to be used with visual appearance and intent of sale (usage). Source: Source: Kansas Department of Agriculture - Manhattan, Kansas

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Inflated rubber tires always go flat sometime, but it was the first one on this trailer.

There was a spare, still no comprehensible way to get it changed. There is a jack and wrench someplace, but uncertain where in the pickup.

Notwithstanding frequent derogatory comments about cell phones, sure glad had one that worked. Punched in "911," nice lady answered and without much rigmarole promised assistance was on the way.

Short order, a congenial sheriff's deputy pulled in offering help, too. He wanted to wait until the official-tire-changer came to inform passing traffic of the work being done.

In very few minutes, the wrecker driver arrived, quickly looked at the dilemma, and went to work. "No problem," the professional insisted as he easily jacked up the loaded trailer.

Cody and Maggie fidgeted with alarm when the compressor-powered lug wrench roared, but soon calmed down.

While the spare tire had felt well-inflated in storage, it was flat when tightened onto the trailer. The helper's ample air machine readily solved that issue.

Well-deserved gratuity for the efficient tire changer, appreciated handshake for the lawman and on the road again.

Tire blowout, complications, and expense still arrived arena early. Proof again that getting up and started always beats sleeping in.

Despite setbacks. and being wrongly missed in the first class, the day really went quite well. Interestingly, little pressure felt compared to what would have been years ago.

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and ranched for four generations.

Dozens of farm and ranch families lost their homes, out buildings and livestock. Countless wildlife fell prey to the fiery devastation including dead and severely injured coyotes, deer and jackrabbits.

A large-animal vet by trade, McCarty was consulting at a feedlot near Montezuma that day when his phone rang.

"Dad called to say he really needed me," McCarty says. "He told me he was headed toward a neighbor with his tractor and disk to save his home from fire."

Seeing the billowing smoke about 65 miles to the southeast, McCarty jumped in his pickup and sped toward Ashland. That's when the chaos began.

Trving to reach the Sand Creek Ranch pasture, he turned around because he couldn't make it due to the fire and smoke. Instead, he rendezvoused with his wife and father-in-law. They headed for his parent's place to move some first-calf heifer pairs (Continued on page 15)

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(Continued from page 14) into a safe place.

As they hurried to save the cattle, the fire swept closer. Little more than a mile away, McCarty says he could feel the heat like a blowtorch on the back of his neck.

"It was the biggest fire I'd ever seen and covered the sky," he recalls. "It scared me to death as it raced toward us."

Realizing the imminent danger, they abandoned their rescue mission and headed for the Ashland-Englewood junction away from the fire's path. Several minutes later the wind shifted and McCarty thought it safe to return to his parents' home.

As he pulled into the driveway, he saw the fire had burned within a few feet of the house. It remained intact.

"Only God knows why that house is still standing," McCarty says. "You do funny things when you're in a situation so out of control. I grabbed the little water reservoir out of my vet box in the pickup and started spraying any fire or hot spots I could see. When I think back, it was comical but I had to try anything to help."

Like so many of their neighbors, the McCartys lost livestock and miles of fencing. Twenty-eight head of his 60-head breeding stock females died in the wildfire. Half of his dad's 340-head cow herd perished.

"We're going to grind it out like my grandfather and his father did during the Great Depression and the Dust Bowl days," McCarty says. "I'm sure they experienced similar feelings we have. It's stressful and it's aged us all."

Their surviving cows and calves remain in temporary pastures. Stock mob graze weedy areas enclosed by electric fence. Sometimes the bust out and free range like the days before Joseph McCoy forever changed the open-country, cattle grazing in Kansas.

The McCartys plan to finish rebuilding fence by the end of 2017. Generous donations from throughout the country have provided them with approximately 25 percent of the fencing materials needed to rebuild.

So far, they've cleared almost 95 percent of the burnt posts and barbed wire from the cross fencing and perimeter fencing surrounding their pastures. They've rebuilt less than 10 percent.

"We'll probably be



in this rebuilding mode for years," McCarty says. "We take each day one at a time. Nothing is normal anymore."

Yes, every day is different. New challenges, small triumphs, setbacks and baby steps forward, he says. With every passing day McCarty feels a little stronger.

Looking back on March 7, the fires still burned. Father and son cried together about their losses – the carnage of dead cows and calves seemed too much to bear.

"That was the bottom for us," McCarty recalls. "Thinking what in the world are we going to do."

Then his phone rang. People calling – asking to help.

The fires still smoldered. The McCartys didn't know what needed to be done. They hadn't even had time to assess the fire's consequences.

Farmers and cattlemen like the McCartys remain a fiercely independent lot. Self-reliant. If something – anything – needs done. They will fix it. They will handle it themselves. Thank you very much.

"Most of us are people who usually don't ask for help," McCarty says softly. "But now, we had to learn to say, 'yes.""

The outpouring of those wanting to help has been overwhelming. Friends helping friends. Neighbors helping neighbors. Everyone in the community and from across the country pitching in.

McCarty talks about a 19-year-old young man who traveled from Michigan four times to help. He's brought fencing supplies, clothing, organized hay delivery and worked a week of his vacation rebuilding fence. "This spirit keeps you going," he says. "While we've suffered a huge financial blow it's just money." McCarty hopes to one day pay this generosity forward. He recently dropped everything to assist in another community devastated by hail and a tornado. "I can't tell you if I'd have done that a year

ago," he says. "But after experiencing the fire you just go."

The fire of 2017 changed the lives of those who live in Clark County forever.

All know the feeling of watching the sky turn black, the arid smell, seeing the smoke blanket the landscape and wondering why?

Most will say they rose to the challenge, met it head-on and are better people for doing so. This kind of spirit and selflessness will allow this region of Kansas to recover. A community of kindred spirits moving forward. Two months after the fire, the Clark County cattlemen continue to rebuild and pick up the pieces of their broken lives. They take each day one at a time. Nothing is normal anymore. Their goal move forward.

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Critical Red Cross blood shortage prompts emergency call for donations

WICHITA, Kan. (July 5, 2017) — The American Red Cross is facing a critical blood shortage and is issuing an emergency call for eligible blood donors of all blood types to give now and help save lives.

Blood donations have fallen short of expectations for the past two months, resulting in about 61,000 fewer donations than needed and causing a significant draw down of the Red Cross blood supply. The shortfall is the equivalent of the Red Cross not collecting any blood donations for more than four days.

"It's crucial that people donate now to meet the needs of patients every day and to be prepared for emergencies that require significant volumes of donated

blood," said Jan Hale, communications manager of the Central Plains Blood Services Region "Every day, blood can help save lives, and right now these heroes are needed to give as soon as possible." How to Help

To schedule an appointment to donate, use the free Blood Donor App, visit redcrossblood. org or call 1-800-**RED CROSS (1-800-**733-2767). The Red Cross has added more than 25,000 additional appointment slots at donation centers and community blood drives across the country over the next few weeks to accommodate more donors. Donation appointments and completion of a RapidPass online health history questionnaire are encouraged to help reduce

the time it takes to donate.

Summer Months Lead to Shortage Blood shortages

often worsen around Independence Day due to many fewer volunteer-hosted blood drives at places of work, worship or community gathering, and this year is no exception. Nearly 700 fewer blood drives are scheduled during the **Independence** Day week than the weeks before and after the holiday.

Overall, the summer months are among the most challenging times of the year for blood donations as regular donors delay giving while they vacation and participate in summer activities. In a recent survey of Red Cross blood donors, more than 73 percent indicated vacation plans this summer, many of them occurring the weeks before and after Independence Day.

New donors and those who haven't given in a while are especially encouraged to roll up a sleeve and help save lives. Nearly one-third fewer new blood donors came out to give last summer than during the rest of the year due in part to schools – where blood drives are held and where new donors give being out of session during the summer months.

Every two seconds in the United States blood is needed to respond to patient emergencies, including accident and burn victims, heart surgery and organ transplant procedures, and patients receiving treatment for leukemia, cancer

or sickle cell disease. The Red Cross must collect nearly 14,000 blood donations every day for patients at approximately 2,600 hospitals across the country.

Upcoming blood donation opportunities July 5-25 Ellsworth Ellsworth 7/25/2017: 1:30 p.m. - 6 p.m., American Legion Post 174,

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AG Derek Schmidt to FCC: Let phone carriers block robocalls from fake phone numbers

TOPEKA – (July 7, 2017) – Kansas Attorney General Derek Schmidt this week asked the Federal Communications Commission to move forward with adopting regulations which would allow telephone providers to block illegal robocalls.

Schmidt, along with a bipartisan coalition of 29 other state attorneys general, submitted a comment letter on the FCC's proposed rules which would allow providers to block several types of "spoofed" calls, in which a call appears to be coming from one number, but is actually coming from a different number. Scammers frequently use spoofed calls to hide their identity and to trick consumers into believ-

1:00-4:00

ing that their calls are legitimate. The use of these spoofed numbers is particularly prevalent in scams where the caller pretends to be calling from the Internal Revenue Service, law enforcement agencies or utility companies.

"Scammers who use these spoofed caller ID numbers are among the worst of the worst,' Schmidt said. "The technology to stop them from even reaching Kansas consumers is now available. It is common sense to change these outdated federal regulations that currently restrict the phone carriers from using this technology to protect consumers."

If the new rules are adopted, providers would be allowed to

from invalid numbers, unallocated numbers. and numbers whose owners have requested they be blocked. For example, phone providers would be able to block a scammer that is using a telephone number that clearly can't exist because it hasn't been assigned.

In a news release proposing the regulations earlier this year, the FCC said it estimated U.S. consumers received 2.4 billion robocalls per month in 2016. A pilot program of the new call-blocking technology conducted last year showed that it reduced IRS scam calls by about 90 percent.

A copy of the attornevs general's comment letter is available at http://bit.ly/2tUhl4d.



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Kansas Profile - Now That's Rural: Doug McKinney, Career Exploration

By Ron Wilson, director of the Huck Boyd National Institute for Rural Development at Kansas State University

"Our biggest export from rural Kansas isn't wheat or corn – it's our young people." That statement describes one of our rural communities' major dilemmas, which is the outmigration of youth. Today we'll learn about an initiative in north central Kansas which is helping make young people aware of the opportunities they have locally without having to move away.

Doug McKinney is executive director of the North Central **Regional Planning** Commission which serves 12 counties in north central Kansas, plus providing other services beyond that region. The commission's main office is centrally located in the region, in Beloit.

Doug explained that he and other community representatives were invited to a Kansas Department of Education forum in Topeka in December 2016. State Commissioner of Edu-

cation Randy Watson invited school districts and others to come to this forum on the topic of summertime career exploration and leadership development. The one-day forum featured a school district in New York state that used summer programming to address several problems found in that school district.

"In New York, they had a lot of issues with juvenile delinquency and low graduation rates," Doug said. "Our issues are different from theirs, but we did see how special programming in the summertime could address community needs."

Several partners in this region of Kansas then got together to plan a special initiative to be held in the summertime. Led by Jeff Travis, the Beloit school superintendent, the other partners included Eric Burks, president of the North Central Kansas Technical College (NCK Tech); Heather Hartman, Mitchell County economic development director, and Doug from the North Central **Regional Planning** Commission. A K-6 technology teacher, Cris Adams, and high school counsellor Stephanie Litton coordinated the program.

The partners designed what was called Career Exploration and Leadership Development week for middle schoolers. Sessions included hands-on activities related to science, health care, law enforcement, agriculture, and entrepreneurship. (Full disclosure: I was a presenter at one session where we discussed rural entrepreneurs.) The weekly schedule included three days of speakers, lunch. and tours.

In the spring, students were offered the opportunity to participate in this innovative program. Sessions were held during three weeks in June. During those three weeks, the students learned about science and biology from Kansas Wildlife, Parks and Tourism; robotics and machining skills from NCK Tech; and much more from specific businesses. The students visited Brush Art in

Downs, Cunningham Cable and Telephone, Brady's Lakeside in Glen Elder, Ringneck Ranch at Tipton, and Agmark, Agco, Kettle, and Carrico Equipment in Beloit. Several employers emphasized the extensive need for skilled technical workers. The students were even guests of the local Rotary club.

"The goal is for them to learn about career opportunities right here in their own backyard," Doug said. Exposing youth to local opportunities may serve to help them start careers locally or come back to the community at a later age or stage of life. "We hope they will remember this place when they're older and wiser, say, at age 25," Doug said with a smile.

In year one of the program, 14 youth participated. Most were from Beloit but there were also students from neighboring rural communities such as Glasco, population

498, and Simpson, population 86 people. Now, that's rural.

Informing rural youth about local career opportunities can make their education more productive as well as provide the possibility that they can build a career or return to the community later on.

"The Smoky Hills **Educational Service** Center, which serves our region, says this is unique," Doug said. "We are doing a more formal evaluation, but the feedback from parents says that this was a topnotch *experience*."

The greatest export from rural Kansas is not wheat or corn, it is our young people – but this group of partners is helping their young people become aware of opportunities locally. We salute Doug McKinney and all the partners who are part of this innovative effort who are making a difference by opening doors for young people. When it comes to the next generation of business leaders in our rural communities. perhaps we can grow our own.

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Laugh tracks in the dust: Fourth of July Limericks



Milo Yield

I'm starting to write this column on Independence Day. Ol' Nevah and I spent a real quiet Fourth of July holiday. We basically stayed home all four days and canned some carrots, tilled and watered the garden, watched patriotic shows about the Star Spangled Banner and

the famous memorials in Washington, D.C., and watched our Royals baseball team emerge from hibernation and morph into an exciting baseball team to watch.

As we watched those patriotic TV shows, I got to thinking about the political swamp in the nation's capital and the vitriolic medie and how our Founders would turn over in their graves if they could see us squander many of the principles and freedoms to which they pledged their fortunes and sacred honor.

I've loved writing limericks for a long time and usually when I write them, I stick to agricultural themes. But in honor of Independence



Day and in deference to our Founders, and the political climate, I decided to wade into the politically-incorrect waters of politics and penned the following limericks that succinct-

ly describe our politics as I see them today. If you like them, fine. Same if you don't. I'm just exercising my Constitutional freedom of speech. *** America's Fly-Over Nation got roused Over what the "bi-coastal" elites es-

poused. And elected a "Tweeter," Which makes it all sweeter. As their socialist dreams get doused. A politician insult-

> ingly tweeted To a news anchor he thought needed But it turns out the result Of his tweeted insult. Would have been better deleted. Once there was a President Trump, Who was banished

from the mass media stump. So he resorted to tweets.

To bypass those elites,

And now they're all mired deep in a funk.

Republican congresspersons are mired and tired.

They're shirking the job for which they were hired. They twiddle-dee,



twiddle-dumb, 'Cause they think we're all numb,

But, they might just end up being fired. The Founders said we should celebrate, The birth of our nation so great.

With illuminations high in the sky

On the Fourth of July, Not piddling ones, but really first-rate.

*** Last week I started describing some new Aggie Emojis that I think the rural commu-

nity should start using on social media. Well, I've come up with some more.

*A farrier (horseshoer): The emoji of a head with a cowboy hat in the middle of an upside down horseshoe.

* A farmer stuck in the mud: The emoji of a muddy farmer's face in a billed-cap surrounded by a circle of log chain.

* A sheep shearer (compliments of my friend ol' Nick deHyde in Iowa); the emoji of sheep shearer in greasy chaps sitting on a wool

sack with a bloody bandanna wrapped around his left fist. * A farmer/mechanic:

The emoji of a farmer head holding a wrench to the forefront with bleeding knuckles.

I'll probably think of more Aggie Emojis in the future.

At one point during

a youth baseball game in a small rural town, the coach called one of his 9-year-old baseball players aside and asked, "Do you understand what cooperation is? What a team is?"

Boy: "Yes, coach." Coach: "Do you understand that what matters is whether we win or lose together, as a team?"

Boy nodding. "Yes, sir."

Coach: "I'm sure you know, when an out is called, you shouldn't argue, or curse, or verbally attack the umpire, and call him as blind as a bat. Do you understand all that?" Boy: "Yes, sir." Coach: "And when I take you out of the game so that a teammate gets a chance to play, we don't yell 'what a dumb decision' or 'playing favorites again' do we?" Boy: "No, sir, coach." Coach: "Good, Now please go over and explain all that to your parents." Hope I survive all the deep water I've gotten myself into this week. Have a good 'un.

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Intermittent Irony: Can't Beat a County Fair

There is nothing like a fair. I could go on and on about the great food, exhibitors and rides to see and enjoy, but I have to say it is the smell that gets to me the most. Our olfactory sense is located right next to the part of the brain that handles memory storage, so there are strong links between smells and memories for many people, and I must be one of them. The fair "is a veritable smorgasbord" as per Templeton in the lyrics from the Charlotte's Web movie and one of my constant soundtracks running through my head every year as I meander



Intermittent Irony By Lisa Meitner

through the fairground. This year was my youngest grandson, Ezra's first County Fair. At 21 months, the major focus of our nightly visits was the petting zoo. It was amazing to watch all the little kids step right into the pens with the animals so they could hold them. Just seeing through Ezra's eyes as he got to touch and hold all the "characters" in his favorite books was way worth the price of admission. It blew his mind to turn and see, and then show us with great excitement that he found *Llama Llama*!

He will probably be ready next year to walk through the 4H animal exhibits, and all the "in your face" smells that come with that. One year I happened to catch a look at my oldest granddaughter as she pushed me through the dairy cows, and I went

back in time. When I was 6 years old in 1965, I had a great trip to the Worlds Fair that was being held in New York. Most of you are familiar with the site of this World's Fair if you have watched the final scenes of the movie Men In Black. Those towers and "space ships" are from the Flushing Meadows site. Of course, being 6 vears old, this trip was somewhat wasted on me and geared more towards my older brother and sister. You have got to love our noses, though, because the one strong memory I have of that whole trip was standing waist high in an enormous line, moving at a snails pace. The smell of warm bodies and food started to grow worse and worse until it was barely tolerable. It was then that I was able to identify the truly awful smell that we all had been taking in – a 920 pound Gorilla on display in the African Pavilion. It was the largest and scariest thing I had every seen close up and is a memory that I still have, but haven't given much thought to, until I saw that scrunched up nose of Olivia's that night. I was reading an arti-

cle online one day about someone experiencing nine months of the loss of her ability to smell. That might have come in handy back in 1965 or that night with the dairy cows several years back, but if these moments in time are now stored in our memories, the looks on their faces during the up close and personal animal "smell fest" was worth the sacrifice.

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Heartspring welcomes two new board members

WICHITA, Kan.-Heartspring has added two new board members to its Board of Trustees, Kristen Aberle of Westar Energy and Jay Voncannon of Koch Industries.

"We are very excited to welcome these two individuals to our board," Heartspring President and CEO David Stupay said. "We believe that Kristen and Jay share our values and will help us in our mission to change the lives of children with special needs and their families."

Aberle has been a business manager at

Westar Energy since the spring of 2015. She has a history of community involvement. She has given her time as a board member with the Red Cross and as a volunteer

with Girl Scouts of America and Junior Achievement of Kansas. She says that Heartspring's mission drove her to join the board.

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UNRESERVED REAL ESTATE COMING UP... EDNESDAY, JULY 19, 2017 AT 6:00 PM

TRACT #1: Selling at 6:00 PM

Located: 701 S. Chestnut, Kingman, KS

Selling: The East Half of Block 29 in Culvers Addition to the City of Kingman, KS; All of Block 31 in Culvers Second Addition to the City of Kingman, KS.

NOTE: This tract includes a 1,312 square foot home built in 1892. The home features 2 BR, 1 Ba, large kitchen and is located on 2.88 acres m/l. Great investment opportunity.





TRACT #2: Sells immediately following Tract 1.

Located: 00000 S. Chestnut, Kingman, KS

Selling: All of Block 40 and the South Half of Block 29 in Culvers Second Addition to the City of Kingman, KS except a tract of land located in the S/2 of Blocks 38 and 39, Culvers Second Addition to the City of Kingman, in Kingman County, KS, as shown by the recorded plat thereof more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a point which is 10 feet South of the Southwest corner of Lot 6 in Block 38 aforesaid, thence South 145 feet more or less to the south line of said Block 38; thence West along the South line of Blocks 38 and 39 a distance of 315 ft.; thence North at a right angle a distance of 145 feet more or less to the north line of the S/2 of Blocks 39 and 38 aforesaid, thence East on the north line of the S/2 of Blocks 39 and 38 aforesaid a distance of 315 ft. to the point of beginning. NOTE: 2.35 acres m/l of great investment possibility.

TRACT #3: Sells immediately following Tract 2.

Located: 00000 E. 7th St., Kingman, KS

Selling: All of Block 25 in Culvers Addition to the City of Kingman, KS; All of Blocks 32 and 33 in Culvers Second Addition to the City of Kingman, KS.

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Voncannon is the managing director at Koch Industries. He's held that position for the past six years and has been an employee of Koch Industries for more than eight years. Voncannon says he joined the board to give back to the community in a meaningful way.

Voncannon and Aberle increase the Heartspring Board of Trustees to 17 people. Phil Garrison, director of Baird, is the board chair, Mike Flores, assistant director of the school of accountancy at Wichita State University, is the vice chair and Roger Zellers, retired, is the secretary and treasurer. Brenda Koehring, retired, is the past board chair. Other board members include Tami Bradley, Linda Buchanan, Deborah Cape, John Engels, Durrel Kelley, Julie Prater, John E. Rapp, Chistopher Shank, Monte Shaw, F. Robert Smith and Michelle Sullivan.

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(Continued from page 2) Over time they have probably created more wildlife habitat than all human conservationists combined, as each time they dam up a wilderness stream or river, the resulting pools and ponds provide room and board for an endless variety of wildlife. The problem is the location of those dams. In the mountains and hills or even in a pasture off the beaten path, where those dams and resulting ponds are of no hindrance to man or agriculture, all is well. The problem is that all too often here in the Midwest, their dams flood valuable farm land or roads and streets around city park ponds, and then they become the bad



Exploring Kansas Outdoors By Steve Gilliland stevegilliland@idkcom.net

and the ugly.

I always spend a day or two at the state trapper's booth at the Kansas State fair, and last year a lady from Galva stopped to tell us that Galva was overrun with red foxes and people were losing house cats right and left. I already knew that Hutchinson was home to several red fox families, and our local conservation

officer confirmed that Galva and a few other towns around also in fact have a more than healthy red fox population. I've since learned that we too in Inman are home to a red fox family. Red foxes and coyotes do not coexist well, so red foxes have adapted to live quite well in towns and cities. They help keep feral cat populations in check, as well as numbers of cottontails, pigeons, rats and mice. As far as I'm concerned, that is all good, except when someone's pet house cat is in the wrong place at the wrong time.

In 2012 the coyote population in the city of Chicago was estimated to be over 2000. Chris Nagy with a group called Gothat studies New York Cities coyotes told me that the Bronx along sports a healthy population of around a dozen breeding pairs, and the covote population of New York City and all its suburbs combined would be in the thousands. Every year I trap a handful of coyotes just a stone's throw from the Inman city limits. The coyote has long been known as the most versatile carnivore in America, adapting quite well to life in suburbs and inner cities. Out in the county in the wild, the coyote definitely has a bad and ugly reputation because of the livestock and deer fawn numbers they kill. Coyotes are a tad more aggressive and

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intimidating than foxes and I suspect that reputation alone gets them labeled as bad and ugly in suburbia too despite the pest control service they provide.

For the past few years armadillos have been steadily creeping northward and are now fairly common in south central KS. They too are grub eaters and will make a mess of golf course greens and lawns. I caught one last year for a homeowner at Prairie Hills Golf Course north of Hutchinson; the critter was digging up her lawn in search of snacks. They are very interesting creatures, but like the possum, not much good can be said for them.

Like I said, God's critters are much

better at adapting to us than we are adapting to them. I guess in town, they can all be seen as good, bad or ugly depending on the scenario. One of the many questions I have for God, is "What did you feed all these varmints on the boat ride here? Did you keep grubs in stock? Did you have peanut butter and jelly for the coon's sweet tooth? How in the world did vou keep them all from eating each other?" It all begs the question "I wonder how critters would rate us, good, bad or ugly?" I don't think I really want to know! Continue to Explore Kansas **Outdoors!**

Steve can be contacted by email at stevenrgilliland@gmail.com.



Smoky Hill Outdoor Youth Festival Coming Up

PRATT – A jam-packed Saturday full of outdoor fun and learning is in the cards for attendees of the 2017 Smoky Hill Outdoor Youth Festival, August 26, 2017. The one-day event will be held from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Smoky Hill Weapons Range, 8429 West Farrelly Rd., in Salina.

Youth ages 6-17 are invited to attend, and must have an accompanying adult.

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fruit.

Adults often feed on the green material on the upper surface of the leaf leaving a lacelike or "cellophane" appearance. Most feeding activity occurs over a 4 to 6 week period though individual beetles usually live about 30 to 45 days.

Japanese beetles tend to be gregarious and feed in groups, starting at the top of a plant and working down. Warm, sunny weather is preferred with beetles favoring plants in full sun. When disturbed, adults fold their legs and drop from foliage. Adult beetles can be killed by shaking the beetles from the plant into a jar or bucket containing soapy water. This is best done in the morning when the insects are sluggish.

Numerous insecticides can be used including pyrethroid products such as cvfluthrin (Tempo, Bayer Vegetable & Garden Insect Spray), bifenthrin (Hi-Yield Bug Blaster II) and cyhalothrin (Bonide Beetle Killer, Spectracide Bug Stop Indoor + Outdoor Insect Killer, Spectracide Triazicide, Bonide Caterpillar Killer). Carbaryl (Sevin) can also be used. The pyrethroid

products normally give 2 to 3 weeks protection with carbaryl not lasting as long; usually 1 to 2 weeks. All of the above insecticides are detrimental to natural controls such a parasitoids and predators or other pests including the two-spotted spider mite. Neem products (Natural Guard Neem-Py, Fertilome Triple Action Plus) and Pyola (pyrethrins in canola oil) will provide deterrence for 3 to 4 days. Japanese beetle traps tend to attract more beetles than they kill and often do more harm than good and therefore are not recommended. (Ward Upham)

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With the latest wranglings in Washington it seems interesting that the new health care bill is being protested by people who have not read it yet. This applies to the ones being dragged out in hand cuffs as well as those setting in the seats who are supposed to be representing those who elected them. Actually they are suppose to represent everyone but I am not naive enough to believe they do on either side.

So with Obama Care falling apart and health care bankrupting people there is one fundamental place to start. Do one thing right then move on to the next.

If you are like me you are so sick of advertisements for drugs they have to put pronounceable names on to help you from illness and symptoms of things I never heard of



Roger's View From The Hills

and some I don't want to hear about. One of my pet peeves is to be bombarded by mindless advertising on a system that I pay too much for that has very little to watch on. But I digress.

I believe that if you gripe about something you should not do it just to be grumpy. I believe there should be a solution you are proposing if you claim the right to gripe. So to help cut costs in health care here is my first step.

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I am sure you would find a drop in hypochondriacs who try to diagnosis themselves and tell the doctors how to do their jobs. But most of all the cost of prescriptions would go down and the amount invested in research would go up.

Step Two: I have been advocating the Constitutional Amendment for years (even when Snope's calls it an Urban Myth) putting a term limit on holding Federal office. A maximum of 12 years for House and Senate combined.

The Founding Fathers never intended for holding office to become a profession. Their intent was for citizen legislators who would serve as an obligation, and go home to their original occupations. Step Three:

Any appropriation bill that would aid a country would have to stand on its own merit. As it is all foreign aid is bundled in one bill and passed (you know pass it before you read it). any country that is not a alley in good standing gets no money, period.

I will stop here but there is more I would add.





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The image seemed to leap off the page, radiant, the black-andwhite thumbnail of a young woman with the smile of a perfect prairie sunrise. The photo spoke of her youth, of promise and innocence, complexion pure and luminous, perfect white teeth, blonde hair falling about her high cheeks in assured, untidy strains, her eyes glistening, hopeful, a face that spoke of joy and hope and excitement, of all the fortune and fealty that would be hers.

The image came with her obituary. She had been 31 years old, a nurse, single, with parents still living and siblings and other family with lives in other cities, other states. That was it. We are not told how or why this young woman died.

When someone is

born he or she is given a place on this earth and in a family, one of great or limited affection, and they have people they adore and love and whom they worship. They have a place in the lives of others, and of people to whom they may give immeasurable fidelity and devotion. We have come to expect that they will have a chance to acquire certain experiences, to learn about good and evil, to be vigilant of the best things in our humanity, that humans are entitled to certain rights, to a basic dignity and respect.

In the beginning there are the usual expectations, about school and learning in and out of the classroom, the codes layered among work and play, what money can and cannot buy, the importance of friends and trust and loyalty.

Among those experiences, later, is the sorry chance to talk about how a person's life changes, about the real possibilities of love and loss, sorrow and pain, the inevitability of aging and death.

Not for this woman. She was gone far too soon and we don't know why.

A year ago I wrote a brief essay about obituaries as a lost art - an effort, as it turns out, that seems misdirected. It should have been about obituaries as a lost cause, the double meaning left to hang in the word "cause." Never mind the art.

This has been the case for more years than I can remember. I began to lose classmates to death at an early age, starting in grade school, and the newspapers always seemed to skirt around the event or, even the disease, that had brought their brief (Continued on page 31)

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(Continued from page **30**) lives to an end. My first funeral was for a 5th-grade classmate, shot in the chest by his brother who apparently had been loosely holding a .22 rifle. The obituary worked around this tragic aspect but the news story did not, and in any event everyone in our small town had known what happened. The death of a child sears the soul and tears the heart of every parent and grandparent and most anyone old enough to be a parent people who, as in other country towns, embrace a familial affection for almost every child who skips along their sidewalks, cuts across their corner, plays ball in their front yard or chases fireflies in the garden or turns a trike

or bike in the driveway, and they know who's who behind the masks when youngsters came knocking on Halloween. It's wrenching enough that a child is dead; do the details matter?

Nearly every obituary these days – excepting those for the victims of some grisly crime or horrific public disaster - neglects to report a cause of death. There are times, even, that the death itself seems to escape any clear explanation. Instead, readers are told that a person went to dance with the Lord, or went to be home with Jesus, or flew away to a heavenly place. We assume that someone is dead only because it is implied, sometimes weakly, but the truth and reason of it – its tragedy, the loss,

the void – is unclear. This has happened because most newspapers now charge for obituaries, one of

the more vulgar if not predatory developments in American journalism; the apparent trade-off is to allow the family to provide the deceased's obituary without the intercession of good reporting. And this, apparently, releases any obligation for a newspaper to report the cause of death.

With men and women who now reach the robust age of, say, 80 or more, the inclination is to assume that the deceased was plainly too old to keep on living, or had tired of the effort. But again, can we be sure? My great grandfather, The Rev. C.W. Bailey, an active

had baptized me when he was 101 and I was one, a century between us, and an event of brief mention in Life magazine. He remained active almost until he died, a few weeks short of his 104th birthday in 1950. The Rev. Martin Ringstrom, of Lindsborg, was working, writing, lucid enough to recite whole passages from Proverbs, or the book of Romans, or from Oliver Wendell Holmes, almost until pneumonia took him at age 100 in 2009; and a month ago a high school classmate lost her father, a farmer, at age 104. Had these men died ten or 15 years before they did, in their 80s or 90s, the assumption that old age

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guided; the men even then could have built a barn single-handedly.

None of this is about being nosy, prying into families to satisfy some gruesome curiosity. It is about confronting and relaying certain truths, the old adage that even if a bum isn't much he is still a human being, and as a human being is entitled to certain rights, to a basic dignity and respect; and to have his death reported as accurately as any aspect of his life, especially if it is the first and last thing to be reported about him. Or her.

Regarding the young who die, the need to know and report is even greater. Among life's greatest cruelties is the death of a child, of someone far too young to go; such a loss should not be dissolved without explanation.

In the American south, for one great example, there are dozens of overgrown and long-forgotten battlefields of the Civil War, eerie landscapes where tens of thousands of Union and Confederate American boys have died, on American soil; every inch of them, in such places as Champions Hill - in Mississippi, between Jackson and Vicksburg - for decades were allowed simply to grow over with vegetation as if none of that bloodshed (5,500 wounded or missing) and death (800) had never happened.

And nearly every day in the newspapers the deaths of so many people go unexplained, leaving another small bit of history to be grown over, forgotten.

Every life, from the first startled moments of infancy to the final breath of a long existence, has value, and every life has at least one event worth recording, one story for the telling, if only at his or her death. No one is ever intended simply to disappear without reason, or cause. JOHN MARSHALL

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Agriculture workers are 20 times more likely than other workers to die from heat. Heat deaths are 100 percent preventable with water, rest and shade, says University of Missouri Extension health and safety specialist Karen Funkenbusch. That is why she encourages everyone to support the "Summer 2017 Beat the Heat" campaign from the U.S. Agricultural Safety and Health Centers and the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH).

Ag workers at high risk of heat illnesses

Workers in farming, fishing and forestry are at high risk of heat illness because heat builds in the body during hard work. Heat illness occurs when the body can no longer cope and physical and mental functions start to break down. Farmers should be aware that heat stroke occurs when temperatures may not seem abnormally high, says Kate Smith, a health science paraprofessional working

with Funkenbusch.

Heat stroke doesn't only affect you on those 105-degree days, Smith says. "You can be in danger when temperatures are over 80 degrees and humidity is over 75 percent. Acclimate yourself to blistering temperatures and be especially cautious if you work in direct sunlight." Funkenbusch says many heat illnesses are misdiagnosed. By the time workers reach an emergency room, symptoms may resemble those of a heart attack.

Under federal law, employers are responsible for providing workplaces free of known safety risks, including extreme heat. Signs of heat exhaustion include dizziness, headache, sweaty skin, weakness, cramps, nausea, vomiting and a fast heartbeat. Symptoms of heat stroke include red, hot, dry skin, high temperature, confusion, convulsions and fainting.

NIOSH offers a free app to track the heat index. Download it at cdc.gov/niosh/topics/ heatstress.

Funkenbusch gives the following suggestions to avoid heat illness:

Drink water every 15 minutes. Do not wait until you are thirsty. By then, it is too late. Rest in the shade to

cool down. Wear a hat and

light-colored clothing. Keep an eye on fel-

low workers and family members. Ask them to watch for you.

Start working in the heat gradually. Acclimate yourself to the heat.

Find more resources at www.osha.gov/heat.



Pratt County Land-Natrona Area LAND AUCTION CRP-Trees-Mineral Rights Date: Mon. July 24th, 2017 Time: 1:30pm Sale Site: Hamm Auction Center, 107 NE SR 61, Pratt KS. Seller: Heirs of Dikeman/Pinkerton

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Land Description: CRP acres are 203.9 at \$30.00 per acre or \$6117 annually. Contract expires on 9-30-2022; Balance is Pasture and Trees; **Possession:** On closing. Mineral Rights: Sellers Mineral Rights convey with the land.

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Sunflower Supreme Replacement Heifer Program expands

PARSONS, Kan. Coming to central Kansas - the Sunflower Supreme Replacement Heifer Program. The program, which began in 2013 in southeast Kansas, has no true borders in terms of producers being able to enroll. according to program director Jaymelynn Farney. Anyone who would like to enroll is allowed and can potentially market heifers at special sales to be hosted in southeast Kansas or Salina at the Farmers and Ranchers Livestock Market.

Developed by Kansas State University and the Kansas Department of Agriculture, the program is for Kansas beef producers who want to improve their management techniques and marketability of their heifers. Heifers that are ultimately certified have been minimally managed the same from an important health, breeding, and

sire selection standpoint, she said. Its guidelines, which are based on best management practices, can be found atwww. sunflowersupreme.org. They can be implemented within any cattle operation.

Farney, who is a beef cattle specialist with K-State Research and Extension based in Parsons, summarized key guidelines.

Health: All heifers must be tested and negative for Bovine Viral Diarrhea – Persistently Infected (BVD-PI). "Since a PI animal will be infected and shedding the virus for life, making sure you are not introducing a known abortion-causing virus in your herd is the first health concern associated with the program," Farney said. Since the goal is to maintain pregnancy, vaccination against other abortion-causing pathogens such as Leptospirosis, Vibriosis, BVD, and

Infectious Bovine Rhinotracheitis (IBR) is included in the protocol.

Breeding: A 60-day breeding season is the maximal length for Sunflower Supreme heifers whether artificially inseminated (AI) or only exposed to a bull. Producers have the option to choose whichever breeding option (AI only, natural service only, combination of AI and natural service), and have options to choose a synchronization program. Heifers will be early pregnancy checked so that veterinarians can estimate expected calving date. That helps producers (those buying Sunflower Supreme heifers and those raising their own replacement heifers) when calving time comes. It also allows for sorting of heifers based on calving date to be better able to watch and mitigate some of the extra labor associated with calving out heifers.



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Kansas State University researchers help with landmark study of wild wheat ancestor

MANHATTAN, Kan. — Kansas State University scientists are part of a breakthrough study in which an international team of researchers has successfully deciphered all 10 billion letters in the genetic code of a wild ancestor of wheat.

Their work is published in the July 7 issue of Science Magazine.

"The relative of wheat is called wild emmer, which is one of the founding crops of human society," said Eduard Akhunov, professor of plant pathology and wheat genomics at Kansas State University. "Wild emmer was one of the first crops that was domesticated 10,000 years ago, which was a critical step in moving from hunting and gathering to an agricultural society.'

By knowing the genetic code of wild emmer, scientists can now compare its DNA to modern varieties to fully understand how wheat has evolved over thousands of years. With that informa-

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"From a biological and historical viewpoint, we have created a time tunnel that we can use to examine wheat from before the origins of agriculture," said Assaf Distefeld, a professor at Tel Aviv (Israel) University, who led the project.

"Our comparison to modern wheat has allowed us to identify the precise genes that allowed domestication of wheat. For example, while the seeds of wild wheat readily fall off the plant and scatter (a process called shattering), a change in two genes meant that in domesticated wheat, the seeds remained attached to the stalk, and it is this trait that enabled humans to harvest wheat."

Akhunov, whose research team used a technology called "exome capture" to identify the regions of the wild emmer genome

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number of genes that are known to improve this trait, and they are coming from wild emmer."

Kansas State University wheat breeder Allan Fritz already is conducting field trials with wild emmer at the Ashland Bottoms research farm south of Manhattan.

"There's good evidence that wild emmer contains genes for drought tolerance," Fritz said. Israeli researchers identified a chromosome that's produced a 10-15 percent increase in yield under drought – without sacrificing yield potential under well-watered conditions.

Fritz added that he and his team have done preliminary screening of accessions of wild emmer and have found resistance to wheat streak mosaic virus, while reports indicate it also contains genes for resistance to fusarium head blight and stripe rust. Wild emmer genes may also provide added value for wheat-based

foods.

"The wild emmers can contain in excess of 30 percent protein, so there's high protein," Fritz said. "We also know from the research of others that you can find some wild emmer that has twice the antioxidant capacity of domesticated durum.

"We know that these wheats accumulate such things as iron and zinc at a higher level. So we can start to talk about nutritionally superior wheat varieties that can come out of this material. We think there's real value there for consumers as well as helping to ensure production in an increasingly variable environment."

However, even with newer technologies to speed up the process, breeding new wheat lines takes a lot of time. Fritz said it will take at least 15 years before traits from these wild wheats will be available in commercial varieties.

"It's one of those things where, yeah, it's a really long-term project, but if you don't ever start it, you never get to the good stuff at the end," he said. "You need to get the process started and work through it."

Even so, Fritz added, "I'm really excited about this. We can do some really good things. I think there's the opportunity to make much better wheat varieties, increase value in wheat for our producers, and to have a healthier product for consumers."

The work completed at Kansas State University was funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Institute of Food and Agriculture. The project led by Akhunov uses historic climate data from the regions where the wild wheat ancestors grow and information about their genomic diversity to identify valuable genetic variation for improving wheat production in local environmental conditions.



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Develop dialogue

By John Schlageck, Kansas Farm Bureau

More often than we'd like to admit we sometimes shoot ourselves in the foot when talking about the challenges we face in farming and ranching. These conversations with friends, neighbors and family take place at the local café, filling station, after church or Friday evening ball games.

During these visits, farmers and ranchers sometimes conclude that consumers and non-aggies don't like them. Or, their urban acquaintances don't listen to them or care one iota about raising crops or caring for livestock. Most people don't need to know much about farming today. They probably think about agriculture less than

30 seconds a year and 20 seconds of that time is based on misinformation.

Why should they? Do farmers and ranchers wonder what a Detroit automaker does? Who he or she

is? And what about their family? While non-farm and ranch people harbor misconceptions about agriculture, believe me, they like farmers and ranchers. They admire this profession. It's important to bridge this informational gap between farm and ranch producers and consumers. But navigate this divide skillfully.

No one wants to be educated or preached to. Humans like to engage in conversations. They like give and take. Usually, if a person is knowledgeable about a profession like raising cattle, another person who doesn't know about the livestock industry may be curious and willing to listen. And while no one understands agriculture like farmers and ranchers, we must encourage and foster dialogues with those who know little about this profession. This includes people outside our comfort zone - someone we may not talk to about what we do like city cousins, foodies, medics, lawyers, etc. Take the opportunity to conduct such conversations on a

flight to another state or country. Develop dialogue with people at a professional meeting, just about anywhere and with anyone who isn't savvy about agriculture.

Times continue to change and so do attitudes and opinions. Forty years ago, people expressed little interest in agriculture.

As a fledgling photo journalist in the mid-1970s, I can't remember someone asking me about agriculture at a social event. This just didn't happen even though many of my friends knew I worked in journalism and wrote about farming and ranching. Agriculture wasn't hip, cool or fly back then. Today the tables have turned and people are quite interested in where their food comes from. They don't hesitate to walk up to you, cocktail in hand and ask, "Tell me about antibiotics, beef production, GMOs." Talk to them. Tell your story. Exude passion about your chosen profession. But remember – ask

them about their profession, who they are and what makes them tick.

Then, listen. Develop relationships and build on those dialogues. Before we can expect someone to listen to us talk about how important international trade is to our bottom line, we must listen to them tell us about their home and garden, their chosen career or whatever else they choose to talk about at the time. There is a voice that doesn't use words listen.

John Schlageck is a leading commentator on agriculture and rural Kansas. Born and raised on a diversified farm in northwestern Kansas, his writing reflects a lifetime of experience, knowledge and passion.

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Fertilizing soybeans

Compared to corn, wheat, and sorghum, soybeans remove significant amounts of nutrients per bushel of grain harvested. Nutrient uptake in soybeans early in the season is relatively small. However, as they grow and develop, the daily rate of nutrient uptake increases. Soybeans need an adequate nutrient supply at each developmental stage for optimum growth. High-yielding soybeans remove substantial nutrients from the soil. This should be taken into account in an overall nutrient management plan. A 40-bushel-per-acre soybean crop removes approximately 30 pounds of P2O5 and 50 pounds of K2O with the grain; in addition, approximately 10 pounds of P2O5 and 40 pounds of K2O can be removed with the stover.

Nitrogen

Nitrogen is supplied to soybeans mainly by nitrogen fixation, and fertilizer nitrogen application is not recommended if the plants are well nodulated. Soybeans are heavy users of nitrogen, removing a total of 130 pounds per acre, and about 44 pounds with the stover for a 40-bushel-per-acre soybean crop. Soybeans use all the nitrogen they can fix plus nitrogen from the pool

of available nitrogen in the soil. Nitrogen fertilizer application to soybean seldom results in any yield benefit, and efforts should focus on proper inoculation.

Phosphorus

Phosphorus applications should be based on a soil test. Responses to direct phosphorus fertilization is generally consistent in soils testing very low or low in soil test phosphorus. Response to starter phosphorus fertilizer application in soybeans can occur, but it depends on several factors. The most important factor is the soil test level. Generally, warmer soils at soybean planting, compared to corn, also may contribute to typically lower response to starter fertilizers in soybeans. However, starter fertilizer in soybeans can be a good way to complement nutrients that may have been removed by high-vielding crops in the rotation like corn. Banding fertilizer at planting is an efficient application method for soybeans. Soybean seeds are easily injured by fertilizer therefore, no direct seed contact with fertilizer is advised.

Potassium Soybean seeds are relatively high in potassium and removal of potassium by soybeans is greater than for other crops on a per-bushel



basis when only the grain is removed. As with phosphorus, a soil test is the best index of potassium needs. Soils testing very low or low should be fertilized with potassium, either as a banded starter at planting or broadcast and incorporated. Potassium should not be placed in contact with the soybean seed because of possible salt injury. Yield increases from potassium can be comparable to those with phosphorus under very low and low soil test levels. Sulfur

Sulfur is mobile in the soil (leaching is common), but fairly immobile in the plant. High soil test variability along with significant uptake by crops generates the need for proper sulfur management, especially in sandier soils and fields with several different soil types. Deficiency symptoms in soybeans are pale-green to yellow leaf color without prominent veins or necrosis in the youngest trifoliate leaves. **Recent Kansas studies** suggest a low probability of soybean response to sulfur application. However, sulfur removal with soybean can be significant, and more sensitive crops in the rotation such as wheat may require sulfur fertilization.

Iron

Iron deficiency symptoms appear in irregularly shaped spots randomly distributed across a field, primarily in fields with a previous history of iron deficiency. Different annual weather patterns can make iron chlorosis more or less prevalent. Iron chlorosis also differs under

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different soil conditions. In general, high soil pH and high carbonates (free lime) can increase the incidence of iron deficiency. Iron chlorosis can be a big limitation in some regions of western Kansas. Iron fertilizer using chelated sources, and in direct contact with the seed (in-furrow) has shown significant yield responses in soils with history of iron chlorosis. If iron chlorosis has been a common problem in the past, producers should select a soybean variety tolerant to iron chlorosis. It may be beneficial to use a chelated iron in-furrow application. Foliar iron treatments seldom result in yield increase.

Others Zinc, manganese, and boron are other nutrients that can be limiting in soybean. The need for zinc should be determined by soil tests. Zinc fertilizer can be either banded at or broadcast preplant with little difference in response when applied at an adequate rate. Both organic and inorganic zinc sources (chelates and nonchelates) can be used, but chelates are considered more effective than the inorganic sources.

Manure applications also are effective at eliminating micronutrient deficiency problems, including iron. Monitoring nutrient levels with tissue analysis along with soil tests conducted during the crop season should be used to diagnose potential nutrient deficiencies. Stresses such as drought, heat, and pest pressure can all influence tissue test results. Some micronutrients also can cause

phytotoxicity if prevalent in large quantities. Nutrient removal by soybean is very high in high-yielding environments so fertilizer application rates will be high or soil test levels will drop. Regular soil testing (every 2 to 3 years) is essential for optimum nutrient management. Use a build and maintain phosphorus and potassium management system or be willing to fertilizer each crop each year, including soybeans.



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Corpse flower opens to delight, repel curious Kansans

MANHATTAN, Kan. — The initial bloom of a titan arum could take as long as 20 years, after the seed is cultivated. Kansas State University's titan arum or "corpse flower" was cultivated in 2001 — but the last 10 days have been the longest.

"I'll never be pregnant, never know what that physically feels like," said Chad Miller, an assistant professor of landscape horticulture at K-State. "But I think I have a good idea of what a pregnant woman hears, as far as the questions

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she may get. 'Is it time vet?' 'When will it happen?' I've had a lot of those questions since late last week."

In the very early hours of Wednesday morning, the bloom began to slowly open, stopping about halfway of what has been observed with other corpse flowers around the planet, including last week's bloom in Cambridge, England. Miller said this slow opening might be due to the lack of pollination.

"Oftentimes, by this point, a lot of those other gardens have

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already pollinated; they've cut a little hole in the side of the bloom and dusted some pollen inside. With a lot of plants, once they've been pollinated and fertilization has occurred, they keep opening, which is actually an act of wilting."

"We think of a fully-open bloom as something that is 'alive,' but actually that's the first step in the death of that bloom," Miller added.

At its peak, the bloom (scientifically called an inflorescence) was about 51 inches high. Amorphophallus titanum produces the world's largest unbranched inflorescence.

A slow trickle of visitors made their way to the greenhouse during the past few days. Many more had been following Miller's updates to the K-State Horticulture and Natural Resources Facebook Page, and the live video stream on YouTube. When

people got wind of the bloom Wednesday morning, they began showing up in droves.

The corpse flower experience is multi-sensory — a feast for the eyes, but a sock to the nose.

"If you've ever driven by a dead animal on the side of the road in the middle of summer, that's been lying there for a day or two. that's what this pretty much might smell like, to most folks," said Miller. The scent given off by the flower, along with the heat it generates, is meant to draw the flies that serve as pollinators. Bees and butterflies get to sit this one out.

Not everyone was thrilled by the stench, which could be detected several vards from the greenhouse.

"I can't do it," said one visitor who works in the Department of Horticulture. "I can do barf. I have twin boys, and I can do barf but I can't do this!"

Since the flower is only open for about 24 hours, Miller had a narrow window for his next critical mission: pollen. He'd hoped to receive some pollen from nearby botanical gardens, but by early Wednesdayafternoon, none had arrived.

"To get the best seed set, it's imperative to get pollen from another plant," said Miller. "Since that doesn't look like it's going to happen, I'm going to attempt to collect pollen, and save some to share with other universities and botanical gardens in the future."

For anyone who missed the 2017 corpse flower bloom, Miller is hopeful that another bloom may happen as early as next year.

"Our plant is quite large, so I think we may have another opportunity to see one of these in a year or two, or three."

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Day 16, Kansas Wheat Harvest Report

By Jordan Hildebrand, **Program Assistant**

This is day 16 of the Kansas Wheat Harvest Reports, brought to you by the Kansas Wheat Commission, Kansas Association of Wheat Growers and the Kansas Grain and Feed Association.

Mother Nature can either make or break a crop, and she has put this year's Kansas wheat crop through the ringer. Between rain showers and hail storms, western Kansas farmers have been stop and go since harvest began.

Chris Tanner, Norton, said that his harvest has had a slow start. All of his wheat received snow in the late-April blizzard, but the current condition of the wheat varies largely based on planting date and variety.

"When the snow was laying on the wheat, I thought it was dead and done for," said Tanner. "After that there was a little bit of a dry spell that wasn't good for it, but it's been pretty resilient. They say wheat has nine lives, but this crop is on its 10th or 11th.

In addition to snow, Tanner has also seen his fair share of hail over the last few weeks.

"Hail is what has really hurt it," said Tanner. "I have 800 acres of corn that has been totally defoliated, and a range of 50-70 percent loss on some of my wheat acres."

Yields have been ranging from 20-80 bushels per acre, with hail damage and kinked stems from the snow driving the yields down. Test weights have ranged from 58-62 pounds per bushel and Tanner has heard that proteins have ranged up to 12.5 percent. Harvest started last Saturday for Brian Linin, a farmer near Goodland. Linin said that what his crew has been able to cut is yielding well above average, but that silver lining is spoiled by the amount of hail damage the area has received. "We had three quarters get hailed completely out, so we aren't even going to try and cut that," said Linin. "Several others had 40-70 percent damage. People were initially

saying that up to half of all wheat acres out here were hailed out. It may not be that high, but it's still substantial."

Linin reports that there are no lines at the elevator this year, an indicator that many farmers in the area don't have a lot to cut. He said that test weights have been good, and he has been pleasantly surprised by proteins.

"We've got some protein out here, that's for sure," said Linin.

Even though what can be cut is yielding above average, the losses from hail damage and wheat streak mosaic virus

(WSMV) have taken a toll on the bottom line.

"With the loss of those hailed and diseased out acres, I think we'll be running at right around an average yielding harvest, maybe even a bit below," said Linin.

Dr. Romulo Lollato, wheat and forage extension specialist for Kansas State University Research and Extension, said that except for northwest Kansas, most farmers in the state have already cut their last acre. Dr. Lollato said that there is substantial variability in yields this year thanks to WSMV and hail, both widespread problems for western Kansas.

In northwest Kansas, heat stress during grainfill also hurt some producers in some late maturing varieties with around 10-15 percent yield losses. But even with heat stress, Dr. Lollato said, 'if it escaped hail, it'll probably be above average yields."

While high temperatures during grainfill may limit yields, it could mean good things for proteins. Temperature doesn't usually have much of an effect on protein development, but it does limit carbohydrate creation in the endosperm. More carbohydrates means additional weight is added to kernels, resulting in higher yields. With less carbohydrates taking up space, there is a higher percentage of protein. So, while the high temperatures limited carbohydrate addition, and thus yields, it did mean a higher protein content for those heat stressed acres.

While much of protein development depends on the environment, Dr. Lollato did say that management decisions like nitrogen application can make a difference. Protein is formed from nitrogen that has been moved from the leaves and stems of the wheat plant.

"If there is less than 11.5 percent protein, our data has shown that there was yield left on the table," said Dr. Lollato. "That wheat wasn't able to reach its full yield potential, and both yield and protein content would have benefitted from an application of nitrogen."

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AG Derek Schmidt: Abilene contractor temporarily banned from doing business in Kansas

TOPEKA – (July 5, 2017) – An Abilene contactor has been prohibited by temporary court order from doing business in Kansas for violating the Kansas Consumer Protection Act and Kansas Roofing Registration Act, Kansas Attorney General Derek Schmidt said today.

Jesse Howard, dba Jesse Howard Roofing, Abilene, is temporarily banned from doing business in Kansas. Dickinson County District Judge Ryan Rosauer entered a temporary restraining order last week prohibiting Howard from acting as

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a roofing contractor in the state.

Schmidt filed suit after the defendant failed to respond to correspondence from the attorney general's office. The lawsuit alleges the defendant was paid for performing roofing work in September 2015 and did not provide the service. The suit also alleges the defendant failed to register as a roofing contractor as required by the Kansas **Roofing Registration** Act (KRRA). A separate, private lawsuit was brought against Howard by the homeowner, and a default

judgment was granted after Howard failed to respond to the suit. Howard has therefore already been ordered to pay restitution to the consumer. Schmidt's lawsuit against Howard is Dickinson County Case No. 2017-CV-73. A copy of the petition and temporary restraining order are available at http://bit. ly/2sqfpMh.

With the summer construction and storm season underway, Schmidt also announced he has entered into consent judgments with nine other roofing contractors for violations of the KRRA. The settlements require the companies to pay civil penalties for KRRA violations and, in some cases, restitution to consumers. They also require the companies to comply with the KRRA when providing roofing services in the future. The nine roofing contractors fined are:

Wiesen Roofing, LLC, Sedgwick County District Court, Case No. 2017-CV-1327 Branco Enterprises, Inc, Shawnee County District Court, Case No. 2017-CV-371 MSS Construction LLC, Johnson County

District Court, Case

No. 2017-CV-3226 Guestavo Zarate dba Modern Storm Solutions, Wyandotte County District Court, Case No. 2017-CV-420.

Nathan Reasons dba RHCC dba RHC Contracting, Wyandotte County District Court, Case No. 2017-CV-337 McDavis Exteriors, Inc., Jefferson County District Court, Case

No. 2017-CV-956 Evan Meier dba Evan Meier Construction, Washington County District Court, Case No. 2017-CV-3

Expert Roofing, LLC, Shawnee County District Court, Case No. 2017-CV-180 Wendy Laurence d/b/a Endless Concepts Roofing & Contracting, Johnson County District Court,

Case No. 2017-CV-1623

In each case, Schmidt alleged the defendants engaged in advertising, soliciting or performing roofing contractor services in Kansas without registering with the attorney general's office as required by the KRRA. Copies of the consent judgments are available at www.ag.ks.gov/ roofer-enforcement.

Schmidt reminded consumers to make sure roofing contractors are properly registered before signing any contract or having any work done. Consumers should request a copy of their roofer's registration certificate and then should check the attorney general's consumer protection website at www. InYourCornerKansas. org to confirm that the roofer's registration is in good standing.

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There has been a lot of ag press, lately, concerning the infestation of wheat streak mosaic virus across the state of Kansas this summer. It is being discussed by the Kansas Dept of Agriculture and Kansas wheat producers to begin requiring it be controlled under some provision of the noxious weed law.

To help reduce the chances of wheat being infected with wheat streak mosaic, producers may choose to plant a variety with resistance to the wheat streak mosaic virus or to wheat curl mites, the vector of the disease. It is important to understand what producers can reasonably expect from these varieties.

Wheat streak mosaic virus resistance

Wheat varieties adapted to Kansas with resistance to the wheat streak mosaic virus include Joe (white wheat), Oakley CL (a single-gene Clearfield variety), and Clara CL (a white,

single-gene Clearfield variety). These varieties all have the same gene, wsm2, for wheat streak mosaic resistance. Temperature sensitivity varies a bit among these, but all will tend to lose wheat streak mosaic resistance at high temperatures.

The degree of resistance to wheat streak mosaic in these varieties will vary in the field. If temperatures are warm (average temperature greater than 68 degrees F) for extended periods (about 2-3 weeks in growth chamber studtemperatures are warm, these varieties will show the yellowish mottling symptoms – although not the stunting seen with fall infections.

Producers should also be aware that these varieties remain susceptible to triticum mosaic virus and High Plains mosaic virus, diseases similar to wheat streak mosaic in both visible symptoms and yield reduction they cause. Plants infected with multiple viral diseases often experience greater yield loss than those infected by just one of these diseases.

If producers notice symptoms typical of wheat streak mosaic on these varieties, they could

send samples in to the plant disease identification laboratory through the Extension office. The disease may be either wheat streak mosaic, High Plains mosaic virus, triticum mosaic virus, or some

In 2017, these resistant varieties generally had less wheat streak mosaic disease than susceptible varieties where the disease was present, based on field observations. Still, it was not uncommon to see symptoms on these varieties. In many cases, these plants were co-infected with one of the other diseases.

Wheat curl mite resistance Wheat varieties

adapted to Kansas with resistance to the wheat curl mite include TAM 112, Byrd, Avery, and T158. All of these are hard red winter wheat varieties.

While these varieties are susceptible to the wheat streak mosaic virus (as well as the High Plains virus and triticum mosaic virus), they may escape these diseases because of their resistance to the wheat curl mite. The wheat curl mite is the



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vector for all of those virus diseases.

Based on field observations, producers can expect these varieties to hold up better than susceptible varieties against all three of these virus mosaic diseases under light to moderate wheat curl mite pressure. Under heavy pressure, such as when wheat is planted adjacent to a field that has had volunteer wheat growing on it all summer, these varieties

can get overwhelmed by wheat curl mite pressure and become infected with these virus mosaic diseases.

(Sources: Erick DeWolf, K-State Extension Wheat Pathologist; Romulo Lollato, K-State Wheat and Forages Specialist; Guorong Zhang, Wheat Breeder, Agricultural Research Center-Hays; J.P. Michaud, Entomologist, Agricultural Research Center-Hays)



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ies) in the fall after these varieties have emerged, they can become infected with wheat streak mosaic. If this occurs, the plants can show symptoms as early as the fall or more typically during the spring. Symptoms include typical stunting and prostrate growth, as well as bright yellow streaked leaves as the disease progresses during the season.

If temperatures are cool in the fall, producers can expect these varieties to show less severe disease symptoms than susceptible varieties. If a spring infection occurs when

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